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Notices of Firms.

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NOTICE.

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J. P. MARMANDE. Hongkong, 25th January, 1883.

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Hongkong, 25th January, 1883.

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No. 25A, PRAYA CENTRAL. DAVID SASSOON, SONS & Co. Hongkong, 17th January, 1883.

No. 9, SEYMOUR TERRACE.

Intimations.

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Hongkong, 24th January, 1883.

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31 & 33, QUEEN'S ROAD—HONGKONG.

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QUEEN'S ROAD.

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NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 7th to the 20th inst. both days inclusive.

By Order, IAS. B. COUGHTRIE, Secretary. Hongkong, 1st February, 1883.

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THE Steamship

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dressed to the Collector of Customs, San Fran-For further information as to Freight of Passage, apply to the Agency of the Company No. 504, Queen's Road Central.

Hongkong, 27th January, 1883.

NOTICE.

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IMPORTANT INTIMATION.

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HONG LIST FOR THE FAR FAST, DIRECTORY FOR CHINA, JAPAN, AND THE PHILIPPINES, FOR THE YEAR 1883.

PRICE TWO DOLLARS.

The above work published at the Office of this Paper, contains a Directory for the Ports in the large portion of Asia comprised between Penang, in the Straits Settlements, and the Northern Chinese Ports, including Wladiwostock, Formosa; the Treaty Ports of China and Japan; the Philippine Islands; the British Colony of Hongkong; and the Portuguese Colony of Macao. The work will also contain the Principal Treaties between European countries and the United States and the countries East of the Straits, including the New Treaties between

RUSSIA AND CHINA, BRAZIL AND CHINA,

THE KOREAN TREATY: together with conditions of Trade, and the Port, Customs, Consular, and Harbour Regulations for the Ports of China and Japan; and a description of the Ports, with the latest Trade Statistics taken from the Reports of the Imperial Maritime Customs and other reliable sources.

The various Governments and Municipal Corporations have been applied to for information, and all Public Bodies and Companies, Bankers, Merchants, Consuls, and Professional and other Residents, have supplied the necessary matter to ensure correctness, upon forms sent for that purpose. The Naval and Military portion has been taken from the latest published official lists and revised at Head-quarters; in fact no pains has been spared to make "THE HONGKONG DIRECTORY AND HONG LIST FOR THE FAR EAST" a handy and perfectly reliable book of reference for all classes.

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NOTICES TO CORRESPONDENTS.

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Letters on Editorial matters to be sent to "The Editor" and not to individual members of the

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of a convenient trade route into Yunnan Whilst the columns of the Hongkong Telegraph will always be open for the fair discussion by correspondents of all questions affecting public interests, it must be distinctly understood that the Editor does not in any way hold himself responsible for opinions thus expressed.

TO ADVERTISERS.

Advertisers are requested to forward all notices intended for insertion in that day's issue not later than THREE O'CLOCK so as not to retard the early publication of the paper.

TO SUBSCRIBERS. Arrangements have been made to publish The Hongkong Telegraph daily at 4 P.M. Subscribers in the central districts who do not receive their copies before FIVE O'CLOCK will oblige by at once communicating with the Manager.

HONGKONG, TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 6, 1883.

THE attitude of France on the Tong King question appears to be attracting a vast amount of attention in diplomatic circles at home, so that the course of events in the kingdom of Annam during the next few months will be eagerly watched by the political representatives of the Powers who have interests at stake in the Far East. The opinions of the leading journals are especially interesting. The Paris correspondent of the Daily Telegraph, who one would suppose is well acquainted with the general opinions of the French diplomatists, and people says: - While the Government is busily discussing the arguments for and against an expedition to Tong King the affairs of Cochin China would seem, from all accounts, to be in an almost inextricable muddle. The present Governor, M. LE MYRE DE VILLERS has got himself into hot water all round partly, it is affirmed, from his highhanded behaviour, partly from the Indiscreet zeal with which he has been pushing forward an extravagant programme of public works. The financial condition of Cochin China is described as gravely compromised-indeed, so serious is the situation that M. Thouson has started to replace M. LE MYRE DE VILLERS in the government of the colony, with strict injunctions to institute immediately on his arrival a searching inquiry into the proceedings of his predecessor, who is ordered to remain in Cochin China until the close of the investigation. It will be remembered that one of the arguments employed by the partisans of the Tong King Expedition is to the effect that, unless the French possess themselves of that province, they will have the English or the Germans for neighbours. The Saigon correspondent of the Voltaire, in a letter written just five weeks ago, gives some interesting particulars of the relative positions of English; French, and German trade in the Cochin China waters. Of every ten ships, he declares, that enter the port of Saigon four are English, four German, and only two MENTS may be sent to the Agents at the various | French Thus the French enjoy less than one-fifth of the carrying trade in their own colony, for ships under other than these three flags sometimes find their way to

Salgon, If Tong King should one day.

be incorporated with Cochin China the LOCAL AND GENERAL.

shipping statistics will probably be even THE visitors to the City Hall Museum for th more instructive. Meanwhile one is justiweek ended 4th February, were:-European 221, fied in inquiring whether or not France be Chinese 1,546; total 1,767. likely to derive any peculiar advantage from the addition of a costly province to a

colony which is already burdened with

debt, and generally in anything but a

The Standard entirely disapproves of the

proposed conquest, plainly stating that

France is embarking on a policy not of

maintaining its rights in the Indo-Chinese

Peninsula, to which nobody could object,

but of wilful aggression, in the hope of ex-

tending both her influence and dominion

in the East. The belief is prevalent in

Paris that the task is an easy one. Not

only, it is said, will the French become the

undisputed masters of one of the most fer-

to Southern China, enjoying exceptiona

facilities of access to the sea. France

infallibly launch her Eastern affairs on a

the Cambodia has not progressed as rapid-

ly as was expected, for the very simple

reason that the French have not had the

available resources to lavish upon the

will simplify the task and provide the cost

of administration, while it will procure

situations and opportunities for that uni-

formed and self-seeking official class which

has many times brought the French Gov-

ernment into false situations, and the

national flag into disrepute. A strict

regard for facts is hardly to be expected

from the interested party, or the present

attitude of the French Government could

be shown to be unjustifiable and without

excuse by its own most recent action. The

French fleet steamed up the Songkoi in the

early part of last spring, with the view of

obtaining redress for an outrage inflicted

Envoy of the Republic. Although repara-

tion had been formally made at Hue by

the Tuduc of Cochin China, the occasion

appeared too favourable to be neglected

for taking some steps towards the realisa-

tion of the scheme of the traveller, M.

Dupuis, for making the Songkoi the main

Tong King, there can be no question,

stands in the same relation to the Govern-

ment of China as the States of Thibet and

Korea. It is no longer, as it once was, an

actual province of the Empire, but the de-

pendency of the whole kingdom of Annam

on the Peking Emperor is one of those

accepted axioms of Chinese polity which

preservation of the integrity of Tong King

is the more cherished at Peking than the

general question of Annamite suzerainty

inasmuch as that country touches the

southern provinces, which have, from the

home of popular sedition and rebellion. So

long as the naval demonstration of the

French was simply pointed at the coercion

of the Court of Hue, it was possible

for the Chinese to stand aside, and to

feign indifference, if they did not feel it.

But the instant that it became clear that

our neighbours coveted above all things a

pied a terre in Tong King, the apathy of

the Celestials changed to lively concern.

It will be well for France if she will yet

Without a common European object, it is

enter upon a war with China. The full

reward of victory can never be obtained

the cost of defeat must be a common

disaster. At present France has lost

neither money nor honour. She will lose

both before she snatches a vassal from

China, or extorts another commercial ad-

vantage to which the sentiment of the whole

TELEGRAMS.

ILLNESS OF PRINCE BISMARCK.

AFFAIRS AT THE CAPE.

COINAGE.

memorialized the House of Representatives in

The New York Chamber of Commerce has

LONDON, February, 5th.

Empire is unanimously opposed.

Prince Bismarck is ill.

Cetewayo has been installed.

favour of limiting the silver coinage.

first days of Tartar dominion, been

may not be touched with impunity.

road to South-western China.

development of a backward region.

will prove an ignis faluus.

flourishing condition.

THE Chinese cook of the White Cloud summoned Adam Hogg, of Scotland and, Hussim Bag of Bombay, watchmen at the Hung Ham Dock, to the Police Court this morning for an assault. After hearing the evidence, which pointed to the cook having been under the influence of fire water, the Magistrate discharged Hogg, and bound Bag and the cook over in personal security of \$10 to be of exemplary behaviour for

THE tables have been turned with a vengeance in Lyttleton, Australia. A woman has been sent to prison for a month for thrashing her husband. The circumstances are said to have been connected with very cruel treatment. Many a poor henpecked husband has suffered from his spouse's tongue, but it is not often that we hear of the tile kingdoms in Asia, but they will also good dame turning round and belabouring her secure the possession of a great trade route 'husband. Does this case inaugurate a new cra of things for husbands?

"OH vare, oh! vare, is my leetle dog gone; oh about to enter upon a course which will vare! oh! vare can he be? mit his ears cut short, and his tail cut long, oh vare, oh vare is he?" sea of trouble; for in spite of the views sang the Dutchman. An affectionate family at accepted at Paris, it may be unhesitatingly Knightsbridge are at present mourning the loss asserted that nothing has yet happened in of their particular pet, which is described in the Tong King to imperil the honour of the following touching language: Three Pounds French flag, that the task of conquest will Reward.-Lost, on Monday, December 11, in prove most costly and hazardous, and that neighbourhood of Lowndes-square, a very Fat Old Pug Dog, with four teeth missing from lower the recompense of all this loss and outlay jaw; answers to the name of "Cæsar." People who meet the namesake of the famous Roman Something, indeed, must be conceded to emperor in this fat, podgy, asthmatical old pug, French opinion. The operations in Tong with four teeth short, will no doubt be conferring King are the natural sequel to the occupaa great boon upon his sorrowing relatives-we tion of Saigon and Lower Cochin China mean his owners—by giving information as to twenty years ago. The dependency on his whereabouts.

SAYS the Shanghai Mercury of the 1st inst. :-A banker at Tunkadoo failed yesterday for a sum reported at Tls. 50,000, but we think for a larger sum. His estate is not expected to turn out well. Losses in silk are supposed to be the Tong King it is hoped that the possession cause of his bankruptcy. He committed suicide by swallowing opium and samshoo, which when taken together are looked upon as certain death. The great silk merchant, Chun Cho-ping, who is considered to be an expert in relieving cases of opium poisoning, burried to the assistance of the moribund banker, but his services were of no avail. This is quite in old China style. It is quite a modern innovation to meet your creditors with a smile and a composition. The old plan was to commit suicide if you could not meet your engagements at China New Year, and many suicides used to take place just before the annual day of reckoning.

COUNTY COURTS are not, as a rule, the most comfortable places in the world for anyone who has business therein. The establishment in which Birmingham tradesmen seek to recover on the person of Captain REINHARDT, and their debts, however, seems to be an exceptionally uncomfortable place. We read that during the severe weather experienced in England in December a very refreshing sight might have been witnessed in the Midland court. The judge sat in his seat enveloped in rugs and furs, and the barristers and solicitors at the bar were clothed in great coats, musslers, and gloves, while the suitors, defendants, and general public huddled and shivered together in unison. The Birmingham County Court is at present held in a new building, the old one having been badly ventilated. Determined that the modern structure should not suffer from a lack of fresh air, the architect admitted too much, while the question of warming seems to have been overlooked-Anyway, the judge has threatened to ask the Lord Chancellor to allow him to hold his court in another building, unless the authorities im-

prove the condition of the premises. An interesting story is connected with the handsome robe of the Chancellor of the Exchequer worn by Mr. Gladstone at the opening of the Law Courts. This is not private property, but passes on from Chancellor to Chancellor, as changes are made. The last time Mr. Disraeli was Chancellor of the Exchequer, the personal relations between him and Mr. Gladstone were so strained, that some difficulty arose on the subject of the transmission of the gown. It was applied for in due course, but some difficulty was made about its immediate disposal, and probably Mr. Gladstone did not care, in the circumstances, to be too insistent, and another robe was ordered. This was better, because newer. Yet round the other there hung a special interest, since it had been made for Mr. Pitt, and was worn by him through his Chancellorship of the Exchequer and had passed downward in regular succession. take the advice of true friends and pause Perhaps the oddest thing is that no one knows

on the threshold of a hazardous enterprise. to this day what has become of the original gown. It might still be worth while inquiring dangerous for a single European Power to about. Questions on more trivial matters have

often been put in the House of Commons. A CELESTIAL Schoolmaster paid a dunning visit to a coolie on Sunday last, his object being to extract certain school fees owing him by the coolie, from the latter's coffers, if coolies are in possession of such tokens of wealth; the coffers. however, might be empty ones. The coolie alleged before Captain Thomsett this morning that ment, struck him in the chow-trap, leaving him minus two roast-duck tearers. On the other hand, the pedagogue represented that upon politely asking for his dollars, the coolie heaved a stove at him, and that, upon the lex tallonis, sensibly. Some days afterwards he sent me

FROM an advertisement on another page it will be seen that the executive of the Hongkong Amateur Athletic Sports will hold a meeting at the Hongkong Club to-morrow evening, at six o'clock, for the purpose of making arrangements for the annual meeting. Gentlemen interested in Athletics are requested to attend.

His Excellency Rayoninahitriniarivo, who was language, his remarks being interpreted, sentence by sentence, by the Rev. W. C. Pickersgill." Unfortunately we had not the pleasure of hearing. this speech, which must have been a real treat for those who were fortunate enough to be present at the banquet given by the Fishmongers' Company on the evening when the Malagasy envoys were present. Towards the close his oration Mr. Ravoni-&c. spoke in the beautiful and figurative language of Madagascar. He said that the courtesy and kindness shown to the envoys by the City of London would never be forgotten. He added, "They will be, in the language of our Malagasy proverb, like kine that are born in summer pasturages-at once both pleasure and profit—and the kindness you have shown us this day will be as the beef hump which used to be the meed of the bold warrior. Our mouths are filled with it, and our hearts reflect it." We trust that the tuitle and other good things provided by the Fishmongers' Company did not interfere with the "beef hump" with which their mouths were filled, and that they found the whole easy of digestion.

MANY of our readers will be able to call to remembrance that charming ditty, entitled "A Norrible Tale," in which the members of a particularly melancholy family committed suicide one after another in startling fashion, even the domestic cat coming to grief with the others The last to go " off" were the flies, " whose case," according to the poet, "was the wust 'un, for they blowed themselves up with spontaneous combustion." Eventually, however,

There was nothing left a live but an unpaid water sate. Something like this appears to have been the condition of affairs at the Bradford (Manchester School Board a few weeks ago when the newlyelected_members_held_their first_meeting._On going into the affairs of the old Board the new members found that they had been left a legacy of one writ, two dishonoured cheques, some signed cheques (to meet which there was no money), and a balance due to the treasurer. When the members came to look the matter full in the face, they found that a rate of two shillings in the pound will be required to pay off all the liabilities and to meet current expenses. The members of the old Board are not popular now amongst the ratepayers.

AFTER all, the Leek Board of Guardians have had to cry peccavi. Some time ago we related that the Board had decided to abolish even the smell of alcohol from the workhouse. In their instructions they distinctly stated that the doctor's orders for alcohol should be disregarded. This did not suit the doctor, nor did the master of the workhouse see his way to carry out the order. The latter took legal advice, and acting upon this he not only bought the forbidden drink, but actually had the temerity to ask for more, like poor "Oliver Twist." What the guardians would. have done with him it is difficult to say had not something happened. This something was the receipt of a letter from the medical officer stating that if any of the patients died for whom alcoholic drinks were in his opinion requisite, he should be "compelled to certify that death was ac celerated by want of proper nourishment." This intimation from the doctor created a profound sensation, which was followed by a warm discussion lasting nearly three hours, at the close of which the Board decided by a narrow majority to rescind what they had done at their last meeting. It will be remembered that when we wrote our last note upon this subject we threw out a hint that the interests of the poor were happily not always left in the hands of a number of fanatics in any particular branch of fanaticism, and that there was in London an important body which watched over the lives of the poor

MDME. Nilsson has given an American newspaper her opinion of Oscar Wilde. It is as follows :- "He ought to have been taken by the car and taken to the boat and driven out of this country. What right has he to come here and say that everything American is all wrong I think that your people are too good-natured, or they never would stand it. I know I shouldn't put up with his honsense. You know in Europe he doesn't appear clad as he does here. That wouldn't be tolerated there. The ladies are taken by that lock of his on his forehead. The idea of a sunflower being pretty i It reminds me with its yellow colour of paleness and sickness. I like the lilles. There is nothing more perfect than the lily of the valley. But that sunflower-if that is estheticism, I am æsthetic. That craze has been the means of accumulating a mass of worthless subbish in lots of houses, I met Oscar Wilde in London once where we were both guests, and he was to take me down to dinner. He commenced to talk his nonsense and pose to me as we were going to the dining-room, I said to him Look here, Mr. Wilde, Mdme. Christine Nilthe educator of youth, in the course of an argu- sson will put up with ho such stuff. This is all put on, and there is nothing in it but nonsense. Mr. Wilde said - Thank you. You are the first sensible woman and true friend that lye, met. After that he acted as a man should, and talked principle, he returned the compliment, but volume of his poems, appropriately inscribed. having a truer aim than his opponent, the stove But he is not considered a poet in Europe on its return journey collided with the coolie's When I sang last Saturday in Steinway Hall I Celestial countenance, Captain Thomsett endea- saw Mr. Wilde sitting in a front row in one of voured to console the coolie for his bad aim by those affected positions of his, with his shoulders fining the young-idea-how-to-shoot teacher a one way, his head another, and his body anysultary Mexican or four days. The School where, I was singing a little Swedish ballad, master, anxious not to lose all his New Year's and it just occurred to me-I am so full of misfun and jollity, unloosed his purse strings and chief—that it might be a good thing to imitate handed the needful over to the Magistracy him; but I thought the audience might not like itnow about it, and I know that my statements it, so I didn't do it."

TRIAL TRIP OF H.M.S. " VIGILANT!"

H.M.S. Vigilant, which has lately been undergoing extensive repairs to her machinery, went out on a preliminary trial trip this morning. her arrival from the north the Vigilant, which as everybody knows is the Admiral's despatch boat, was placed in the hands of the engineerreceived with cheers, replied in the Malagasy ing staff of the Royal Naval Yard. A new main shaft of Vicker's cast steel has been fitted, and other heavy repairs to the engines and boilers have been effected. In addition to these alterations, several improvements in the strengthening of the entablature have been made by Mr. Williams, R.N., Inspector of Machinery in charge of the Naval Yard. On the completion of these alterations and repairs the vessel went into the Kowloon Dock to be cleaned and painted, and returned to her moorings on Friday last.

A start was made this morning at half-past ten, the intention being to run round the island. After getting fairly under way, the engines were gradually worked up to 32 revolutions per minute, which gave the vessel a speed of about 13 knots per hour. Admiral Willes, the commander-inchief, who was on board, had given orders that the vessel was not to be pressed, as he did not wish this rate of speed to be exceeded. The sea was rather lumpy in the Lye-ce-moon Pass and outside Cape D'Aguilar, but, inside the Lamma-Channel the water was comparatively smooth. During a run of two hours at the above indicated speed the vessel behaved splendidly. The maximum speed attained for a short period was

The machinery and boilers were in charge of Mr. Williams, and with the exception of one of the crank head bearings which ran warm, and some slight trouble from the boilers priming, the vessel's performance was considered eminently satisfactory by all the officials concerned.

The Vigilant returned to her moorings shortly before one o'clock. Outside Green Island she met H.M.S. Encounter under sail bound for Manila, and the Admiral slowed down and ran alongside. The trip, taken altogether, must be considered an eminently satisfactory one, and here can be no doubt that the machinery of the vessel has been greatly strengthened and im-

We believe it is the intention of the Admiralty. to replace the Vigilant on this station by either the Lively or Salamis, of the same class, earlynext year. Admiral Willes, whose period of service as Commander-in-chief in China will expire about the same time, will probably return to England in the Vigilant.

THE HAWAIIAN TREATY

The following letter, signed "James Caspar," regarding the means adopted to bring about the reciprocity treaty with Hawali, was published in the New York Sun.

Previous to this treaty these Islands were in a bankrupt and ruined condition, and property was almost valueless. The loss of the whale fisheries, the rapid decrease in foreign as well as native population, the loss by blight of the coffee and orange plantations, together with the extravagance of the Kanaka Government were the principal causes of this. But a very small portion of the trade of the Islands was in the hands of Americans; almost the entire business was controlled by English and German houses. The Islands were in debt to-English bondholders. German and English ships carried the goods, with the exception of flour, lumber and fish from California and Oregon, and even this business was mostly in the hands of German firms. The sugar plantations were small, and, owing to certain obstacles, it did not pay the planters to make any but the best grocery grades of sugar, which, unfortunately for them, commanded high duties. Owing to the influence of the missionary party in politics, no rum or alcohol was distilled from the refuse sweets. The cost of containers, difficulties of transportation and transhipment made it impossible to market the molasses. Hence what would pay the working expenses of a sugar estate in other countries (the rum and molasses) was

In the meantime Peru and Central America were making the same grade of sugars, and underselling the Sandwich Islands product in San Francisco. The Sandwich Islands plantations were losing money. Plantation after plantation failed, and losses and ruin stared everybody in the face. In 1866-67 Harris, the Prime Minister. of the Sandwich Islands, went to Washington to try to secure a reciprocity treaty from the United States Government. He returned without having accomplished anything. While on the passage from San Francisco to Honolulu, Harris confessed to a friend that he took to: Washington the sum of \$50,000, mainly raised by merchants and planters in Honolulu to help through the treaty, but that it was not money enough for the job. and they only laughed at him, he said, in Washington for bringing so little.

In 1870 and 1871 William H. Webb placed the steamers which he had withdrawn from the apposition route to California on the mail route he was trying to establish to Australia. Mr. Webb wanted to make Honolulu a coaling station, and the Sandwich Islands Government were to give him the duty off coal and a subsidy, but afterward would not, so Webb turned his attention to the Navigator group of islands, and an agent was sent there by him to establish a harbor and coaling station. Suddenly it became known that the Navigators had no government, and that the natives were anxious for the protection of the United States. A. United States man-of-war went to the islands and hoisted the American flag on one of them. This was opposed, and a German steam corvette and an English manof-war disputed the right of socioing. Meantime many planters who had been assured that the United States would take possession of the Navigators and grant free trade were on the point of going there, but the Australian subsidies were not granted. Webb's line withdrew, the protectorate was not established and the old King of the Sandwich Islands died. His successor, Prince Bill died after he had been King for a year, David Kalakaua was then elected king by the party who most needed the reciprocity treaty and very shortly after this King Kalakaua in 1874 came to the United States and went to Washington, accompanied by interested in-fluential residents of the Sandwich Islands. General Grant advocated the scheme of the reciprocity treaty, and the whole thing was quietly passed through Congress, and all was over in a few days. The English of it is that Kalakana took more money to Washington than The reciprocity treaty was gotten up to save

foreign rate controlled by Germans and English, and which is under the partial protection of Great Britain. This treaty, has robbed the United States customs, and therefore the American nation, and has in no way benefited the

These Sandwich Island sugars are preferred on the plains to refined sugar, and they find their way Last by rail, thus coming in direct competition with Louisiana sugare. Hawas no statesman or American even. wh as a Congressman voted for anything so one-

sided as this treaty; and after reading the extract I thought that I would write to the Sun what I can be verified and proved on the Paulic country

"BUFFS" V. MOSQUITOES.

While sauntering past the Garrison Parade Ground this forenoon, our attention was arrested by seeing some half a dozen of the "Grand Old Bulls" performing what at first sight appeared to ther funny antics with small white flags with a blue stripe in the centre, the flags being attached to short poles. These they were waving about in the most frantic, and, to the uninitiated, supremely ludicrous manner. At first imagined some new species of setting-up drill had been introduced into the service, and that the men on the Parade Ground badly needed having their shoulders pressed back and their general tout ensemble improved. A moment's reflection, however, convinced us that this could not be the true explanation of the affair, seeing that the flag-wavers were all well set-up soldiers, upon whom the drill sergeant had operated successfully. While revolving the matter over in our mind, a flood of light burst suddenly upon our benighted intellect, and the inoment we felt as overjoyed as did the famous mathematician Archimedes discovering, while in his bath, that the square described upon the hypothenuse of a right-angled triangle is equal to the sum of the squares described upon the other two sides -vide the 47th proposition of the 1st book of brilliant solution of the puzzle we had arrived at which was this. His Excellency the Major-General commanding the troops had evidently received a despatch from some reliable quarter warning him that a prodigious swarm of mosquitoes, maddened by the cold weather, would make a furious descent this forenoon upon the Garrison Parade Ground, and gobble it up holus bolus; and with an ever watchful care for the safety of Government property, General Sargent had instructed Colonel Hobson to send some sturdy Buffs, under the command of an officer, to the ground to flustrate the vile plot formed by those malicious insects. We were further confirmed in this -view-on-more - closely-observingwho were arranged at intervals from the top of the Parade Ground to the bottom, and bore a look of stern determination on their bronzed features. One fellow would wave his flag-sharply across in front of his breast, with the object clearly of felling the mosquitoes, or at least winging or otherwise disabling them, and then, quick as thought, would make a rapid point downwards to his right, in order to transfix those who had escaped his first furious assault. A similar series of movements would be then gone through by his vis a vis. Anxious, to as youths' eyes do in pictures of battle-fields, behold the carcases of the slain—the mosquito being an insect for which we have ever had a singular love and veneration, more especially whenever its heavenly music sounded in our ears in bed at night, or in the early morning—we ventured to approach the flag-wavers, in order to gaze upon the slaughtered, but although we have been always noted for having as fine a pair of oculars as are to be figures, and then, raising it as coolly as ever, in the Colony, the deuce a mosquito could we see, either in the air above or on the earth beneath. Having previously airanged everything so logically in our own mind, our astonishment can be better imagined than described at discovering that both our premisses and conclusions were sadly at fault, and so to prevent any further floundering in the misty regions of speculation, we proceeded to question -the flag-wavers as to the raison d'etre of their apparently singular performance, over which the Celestials appeared to be as much exercised as we were ourselves, to judge by their open-mouthed look of perplexity and astonishment. An intelligent Buff-but did not the General Commanding say the Buffs were all instructed in the working, which in war time is found to be of the greatest service. In clear weather, flag-signalling can be carried on at distances of two or three miles with the naked

MAILS EXPECTED.

eye, and with a good glass at much greater

distances.

THE AMERICAN MAIL The P. M. S. S. Co.'s steamer City of Peking with the next American mail, left Yokobama on Sunday, the 4th instant, at daylight, and may be expected here on or about Saturday, the 10th, THE FRENCH MAIL

The M. M. steamer Pelho, with the next French mail, left Singapore on Sunday, the 4th instant, at I p.m., and may be expected here on or about Sunday, the 11th

STEAMERS EXPECTED.

The Shire Line steamer Merionethshire from London, left Singapore on the morning of the 30th ultimo, and may be expected here on or about the 6th instant

The steamship Meath (Messrs. Geo. R. Stevens & Co.'s line) left Sydney for Hongkong on the 12th ultimo, and may be expected to arrive here on or about the oth instant.

The steamship Hungarian left Sydney for Hongkong, via Queensland Ports, on the 19th ultimo, and may be expected to arrive here on or about the 12th instant

The E. & A. S. S. Co.'s steamer Bowen Sydney on the 20th ultimo, and is due here. Un or about the 14th instant. Republican. The N. I. S. N. Co's steamer Camoria left Batavia on the 1st instant, and may be expected

here on or about the 17th. The steamer Tannadics left Sydney on the 3rd instant, and may be expected to arrive here about the 27th

SOLDIERS UNDER FIRE.

Few men, very few men, go into action for the bullets and the danger, and wishing it was all over and they were safe; the second time they are under fire they remember the last time think a great deal less of the bullets, and more as much about fighting as the old one, with all ticeship to fire thoroughly; and what has he seen, the guards and points made by the flag-wavers, not once, but repeatedly, in action? He has seen the old soldier breathless, always in a hurry, stumbling when he might have walked straight; not showing cowardice, but with his head gone. and fingers too nervous to stick up the sight of -his-rifle, -- While-in-the-same action, he has seenthe boy-soldiers' faces lit up with anxiety, looking up at his, listening for the word of command, moving hastily, but always under check, and never hesitating when it was an advance that was called for. One fat boy, under twenty, belonging to some civil, department, and so out on the sly, he remembers well. He had a fat face, very, placid, with round eyes, sheep-like in expression, in no way heroic or flashing fire. when the firing was hottest. Whenever he looked down he found himself looking into the depths of his placed eyes, which asked, quite unmistakably, what "sight" he should put up to the rifle he grasped on his knee below them. Now and then he gave him what he thought was the distance, when he adjusted the bar as methodically as if on parade, turning it sideways to see if the line corresponded exactly with the gently delivered his fire and returned to the ready position. - Blackwood's Magazine.

THE BIGGEST SNAKE STORY ON RECORD.

There have been some snake stories told a various times, and by various persons, but George Ellis of Saguache tells one that ought to have some influence in bringing Colorado to the front as a snake State. The gentleman swears that his account is true in every particular, and it is given on his authority. As is well known, there is quite a large Mexican population in the lower part of the San Luis Valley, and among them there are several Spanish familes. Among them is a branch of the Olero family, which is quite large and widely scattered. Several weeks ago the Oteros intelligent? Oh no, we err, His Excellency only were visited by a young gentleman and lady said they were all "grand"—to whom we ad- from Cincinnati, and, among other amusements dressed ourselves, at length set us on the as the visitors were anxious of getting a good right track, by imparting the valuable informa- view of the valley, they made an excursion tion that it was merely signalling practice that | to the mountains on the west side of the valley. was being gone through. Thanking him for They did not ascend to the summit, as the weahis urbanity and kindness, we made enquiries ther was rather cool, but succeeded in getting drugs.—St.-Louis-Republican. as to the modus operandi, and gleaned quite | an elevation of 700 or 800 feet above the valley. a budget of interesting details, which we may. Here they stopped on a little level place, flanked at some future time regale our readers with. on one side by high rocks, and on the other by We may state, however, that the rapid a precipitous descent of over 100 feet, below movement of the flag from left to right, in- which are strewn broken and jagged fragments dicates what in army signalling is known as of rock. The level grows narrower to the south, a "dot," and the downward point to the right, and leaves only a narrow pathway around a we, in our innocent simplicity, large rock, behind which one is concealed from be a movement having for its the sight of any one on the open space menobject the transfixing of sundry blood-suckers, tioned. Schorita Estella Otero, who is of a daring indicates what is known as a "dash." The and rather mischievous character, thought she letters of the alphabet are formed by a would startle her visitors by suddenly disappearcertain number of these dots and dashes, and ing from their sight, and while they were looking thus the important work of flag-signalling is over the magnificent expanse of country below carried on. Two men from each Company are | them she slipped away and went to the narrow

> She had been gone perhaps three minutes when her companion heard a wild scream, and missing their friend, ran in the direction of the sound. As they approached the path they caught a glimpse of the rocks below and the side of the precipice. On the latter, about ten feet from the top, hung by her dress from a sharp projecting rock, was Senorita Otero, apparently in a senseless state. Directly over her, on the path, was an enormous serpent, at least thirty feet in length, which seemed to be making preparations to reach her. The gentlemen of the party were unarmed, and for the moment were helpless, anyway, from surprise and horror. The scrpent coiled its tail around the base of a small pine tree, and lowered itself toward the helpless maiden. It threw one coil around the girl and raised her back to the path. It was a terrible moment for ther friends. Miss Willis, the Eastern young lady, fainted at the sight, while her brother and the Spanish gentleman ran. forward impulsively to save the victim, to whom, however, they could have rendered no assistance if they had been within an arm's length of her. To their astonishment, the screent made no show of fright but deliberately uncoiled from around her, and left her senseless form carefully placed on the path. It then turned and disappeared in a hole in the rocks, as if it had finished what it wished to do. The gentlemen at once carried the young lady from her dangerous situation, and as soon as she and Miss Willis were restored to consciousness they hurried away from the place. After talking over the matter, the entire party are satisfied. that the snake lifted her up to the path simply to rescue her from her awful situation.—Denver

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A curious libel suit has been brought in the first time without thinking a great deal of Oberlin, Ohio, growing out of last Winter's Prohibition crusade, in which a druggist seeks to ascertain how far the odium theologicum is justified in its pursuit of his manner of conductwhen they came out of it unhutt, and they ing business. The plaintiff in the case is Frank E. Bronson, a seller of drugs in the above reform of the work in hand, than they did on the for- town of Ohio, and the defendant is the Rev. mer day. Take an instance from the late war James Brand, pastor of the First Congregational against the Zulus, where we had mostly young | Church in the same place. The druggist, it soldiers, with only a sprinkling of old ones. is to be presumed, defied the sentiment of There "funk" reigned universal with young the community, not only by selling drugs and old. There is no need here to tell the old based upon intoxicating liquors, and the tale of the nightly scares, of the stampedes, of liquors themselves, but introduced them by the terror which crept over faces when a Zulu various subtle and strategic devices into soda was mentioned. A lancer rides in with des- and mead and other cheering drinks that do not patches, and the remark slies round the ranks—
"Look how he's niding; he's looking behind him; the Zulus are after him." These and a ciphered by the initiated. The crusaders made thousand other instances were but the natural his store the objective point of their fiercest outcome of ignorance—looking forward into attack. They wrestled with him, and prayed the unknown—with men suddenly called upon to face something which existed only in their imagination, and as such was pictured in the surrounded so that customers could not gain blackest colors. But at Ulundi, where the admission, but still the druggist was obdurate Zulus came round the little square in thous-ands with the sun shining on them, our men within the enemy's lines, only to find themsaw that they were only men like themselves selves incontinently fired out. Assaults from after all, and blazed away merrily into the without were met by assaults from within. "brown" of them, obeying the words of com-mand just as they used to do at Aldershot with worldly songs would be heard within, sung with the blank cartridges blowing off in their friends' stentorian voices. Appeals from without met faces. Ulundi worked a vast change in their with defiance within. At last the circumvallaminds. Henceforth they knew that the rifles | tion became so complete and the enemy's they carried were not mere toys to make a intrenchments were pushed up so close that all Euclid. We rubbed our hands in glee at the noise with; and they learned that it was a use- communication was cut off. The druggist found thing for themselves if they obeyed himself exposed not only to the rifle shots of the their officers. They had seen a group of besiegers' pickets, but to the heavy fire of their twenty or more Zulus creep into a bush in columbiad, the Rev. James Brand, who from front of them, and by a well-timed volley dis- | the adjoining eminence of the Congregational appear, and they remembered it was their offi- pulpit sent in redhot shell. At last the druggist cer who had told them to fire that volley; with- appealed to the courts for protection and was out his directing word they would have potted sustained, and he victoriously held the fort away, and the Zulus would have potted back, for and fired a salute as he saw the besieging all they knew, till to-morrow or the day after. forces withdraw. He has now begun suit for And from that time there were no more scares. libel against the columbiad, claiming \$30,000 So much for the apprenticeship stage. Now damages by reason of a sermon which the this stage once over, and the young soldier knows minister delivered and had printed. In that sermon the drug store was called the worst that buoyancy of youth spoken of above to back | whiskey shop in town. The druggist was charged him up; and so the value of the men is no longer | with secrecy, hypocrisy, lying, and the utter equal. It has been the writer's good fortune lately | wreck of every moral sense. He used profane to have seen a good deal of real hard fighting, with | language towards the crusaders. He encouraged men under him who had learned their appren- small boys and youths to revile them, and he himself, in a manner contrary to that of wellregulated dauggists, appeared before them "in some ghastly dress or disguise." These accusations, however, were mild as compared with the percration, which was worked up to a climax with a sort of Wagnerian crescendo worthy to compare with the horrors in Klingson's chamber of supernatural rites. An extract will give the

> fiend, the preacher thus apostrophized and rent it: I would not take thy death for all the pleasures of thy guilty life a thousandfold. Thou shalt draw near to the shadow of death; to the Christian these shades are golden haze which heaven's light makes when it meets the 'carth and and this fat boy kept close to him all the time | mingles with its shadows. But to thee there shall be shadows full of phantom shapes, Images of terror in the future shall dimly rise and beckon thee. The ghastly deeds of the past shall stretch out their skinny hands and push thee forward. Thou shalt not die unattended. Despair shall mock thee. Agony shall tender to thy parched lips her fiery cup. Remorse shall feel for thy heart and rend it apart. Good men shall breath freer at thy death and utter thanksgiving when thou art gone. Men shall place thy gravestone as a monument and a testimony that a plague is stayed, and as borne on the blast thy guilty spirit whistles onward to the gate of hell, the hideous'shricks of those whom thou hast de-

reader some idea of the preacher's vigorous and

robust style in dealing with the druggist. After

drawing a mental and moral silhouet of the drug

stroyed shall pierce thee-hell's first welcome! It is possible that if the preacher had stopped short with Agony, tendering the fiery cup to the moribund druggist and Remorse feeling after and rending him, he might have placed his damages at a lesser sum, but his soul whistling on the blast toward the gates of hell was evidently too much for him, because if a soul whistles it implies that it must be a very small and thin one, and to be whistling along toward the hot place, while it is very vivid in metaphor, is not calculated to impress the public with charitable feelings toward the druggist's immortal part. It is hard on the druggist and it may prevent superstitious people from purchasing their boneset and rhubarb of a man whose soul is liable to whistle in such a remarkable manner. The issue of the case will be awaited with some interest, especially as it must be defined whether the court's jurisdiction applies to libels that are not completed on this earth, but belong to that locality in limbo where the druggist will be beyond all help from his own

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THIS DAY,

4 o'clock p.m. As usual on English mail days, share business has been galmost at a standstill. With the exception of some transfers in Docks at 50 per cent. premium for the end of the month, no transactions of importance have come under our observation, Banks are weaker with sellers at 189 for Feb. 28th. The scrips of both Sugar Refining Companies are in request, Chinas at 193 and Luzons at 115. Other quotations speak for themselves.

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THIS DAY'S TELEGRAMS.

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dreds.—Thermometer, in Fahrenheit degrees and tens kept in the open, ole in a shaded situation .- Direction of Wind. is registered every two points, N., N.N.E., N.E., stc.-Force of Wind, o calm. I to 3 light breeze. 3 to 5 moderate. 5 to 7 littli. 7 to 8 strong. 8 to 20 heavy. - 20 to 19 violent.—State of Wenther, B. Clear bine sky., C. Cloudy. D. Drizzly, P. Pog. G. Poggy, H. Hall, L. Lightning. M. Mistr. O. Ormonst. P. Pasting showers. O. Squally, R. Rainy, S. Snow, T. Thunest U. Bad. threatening V. Visibility. W. Storm Z. Calm. The letters are repeated to indicate any increase over the mean average of their signification. Rain.-The hours of rain for the previous se hours (moon) are registered from z to se

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DEPARTURES. February 6, Douglas, British str., for Swatow. February 6, Chung-king, Brit. str., for Shanghai. February 6, Medusa, Austro-Hungarian str., for

February 6, Encounter, British corvette, for February 6, Nam-vian, French steamer, for

February 6, Ningpo, British str., for Shanghai. February 6, Albany, British str., for Saigon. February 6, Thames, British steamer, for Singapore, Hombay, &c.

February 6, IVhampoa, British str., for Saigon. February 6, Schwan, German brig, for Iloilo.

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Per Afedusa, str., for Singapore, &c.-193

TO DEPART Per Yeh-sin, str., for Shanghai.—12 Chinese.

REPORTS. The British steamship Hainan reports left Holhow on the 4th instant. Had strong monsoon and dark cloudy weather.

The British steamship Ulysses reports left Shanghai on the 3rd instant at 7 s.m. Had fine and cloudy weather throughout.

The British steamship Foklen reports left Singapore at 4 p.m. on the 24th ultimo. Passed the steamship Keelung going in. Had fresh N.E. winds and rainy weather to Kudat. Left Kudat on the 30th, and Sandakan on the 1st instant. Had fresh N.E. winds and fine weather. Cleared Mindora Straits and had strong North to N.E. winds and high sea with squally weather to

NAGASAKI SHIPPING.

21, Himalaya, British steamer, from Kobe. 21, Kwongsang, British str., from Shanghai. 21, Baikal, Russian steamer, from Shanghai. 21. Tokio Maru, Japan. steamer, from Kobe. 22, Kumamoto Maru, Japan. str., from Kobe. 22, Brutus, German steamer, from Shanghai. 23, Sumanoura Maru, Japan. bk., from Y'hama. 24. Minard Castle, British str., from Shanghai. 24, Satsuma, British bark, from Hongkong. 24, Sumida Maru, Japan. str., from Hongkong. 25. Marchesa, British yacht, from Kagoshima. 26, Ingo, German steamer, from Shanghai. 26, Tyne, British steamer, str., from Shanghai. 26, Genkai Maru, Japan. str., from Shanghai. 26, Toyoshima Maru, Japan. str., for Y'hams. DEPARTURES.

21, Odin, Norwegian steamer, for Hongkong. 22, Kumamoto Maru, Japan, str., for Hongkong. 23, Tokio Maru, Japan. str., for Shanghai.

23, Bnikal, British steamer, for Shanghai, 24. Flying Fish, British sloop, for Hongkong. 24. Sumida Maru, Japan. steamer, for Kobe. 24. Kwongsang, British steamer, for Shanghai. 25, Elizabeth, German corvette, for Kobe, 26, Genkai Maru, Japan, steamer, for Kobe.

VESSELS ARRIVED IN EUROPE FROM PORTS IN JAPAN, CHINA, AND MANILA. Anchises (s.)ShanghaiDec. Stirling Castle (s.).....JapanDec. Orion (s.)HongkongDec. Holstein (L)NagasakiDec. IquiqueDec. Pembrokeshire (s).....Shanghai, &c....Dec. 13 Glenogic (s.)ShanghaiDec. 13 Electra (s.) Japan Dec. ShanghaiDec. Diomed (s.)...........ShanghaiDec. 19 Barcedona (s.)ManilaDec: 23 Hector (s.)............ShanghaiDec. 23 Menelaus (s.).......ShanghaiDec. 28

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SHIPPING IN HONGKONG.

STRAMERS.

ASHINGTON, British steamer, Bog, McDonald, 30th Jan.,-Bangkok 23rd January, General.—Jardine, Matheson & Co.

BANGALORE, British steamer, 1,309, J. P. Hassall, 5th Feb., -Yokohama 27th Jan., Gene-

ral.—P. & O. S. N. Co. BAYSWATER, British steamer, 1,039, B. Walker, 26th Jan., - Saigon 18th January, Rice and Paddy.—Tung Kec.

BELGIC, British steamer, 1,716, J. G. Cameron 31st Jan.,-San Francisco 28th December, and Yokohama 24th January, General.-O. & O. S. S. Co. Bellona, German steamer, 789, W. Schaefer,

4th Feb.,-Saigon 29th January, Rice.-Siemssen & Co. CATTERTHUN, British steamer, 1,407, J. Miller, 29th Jan.,—Sydney 4th Jan., Rockhampton 8th, Townsville 10th, Cooktown 11th, Thursday Island 15th, and Port Darwin on the 19th, 10 boxes Gold, 1,700 tons Coal, and 200 tons General.—Gibb, Livingston & Co. CRUSADER, British steamer, 647, T. Rowin, 13th

November, -Saigon 7th November, Rice. -Chong Wo Cheang. DECIMA, German steamer, 1,151, S. Oestmann, 3rd Feb.,-Saigon 28th Jan., Rice.-Geo. R. DALE, British steamer, 644, E. Allason, and Jan.,

-Bangkok 15th December, Rice and General.-Yuen Fat Hong. FEILUNG, British steamer, 752, Allison, 5th Feb., -Bangkok 27th January, Rice,-Yuen Fat

GALLEY OF LORNE, British steamer, 1,389, P. Pomroy, 3rd Feb.,-Shanghai 30th Jan., Tca.-Russell & Co.

GLENELG, British steamer, 894, J. S. Speechly, 14th Jan.,—Saigon 6th January, Rice.— Tung Kee.-Aberdeen Dock. HIMALAYA, British steamer, 514, W. R. Beedle, 29th Jan.,-Yokohama 11th January, and

Nagasaki 24th, 300 tons Coal, and 500 tons General.—Buttersield & Swire. JAPAN, British steamer, 2,440, F. F. Flack, 1st Feb.,-Calcutta 17th Jan., Penang 23rd, and Singapore 25th, Opium and General,-

D. Sassoon, Sons & Co. LENNOX, British steamer, 1,387, Scott, 1st Feb. -Calcutta 17th Jan., Sand Heads 18th, Penang 23rd, and Singapore 26th, General. -Jardine, Matheson & Co. Luzon, Spanish steamer, 321, Willamil, 27th

Jan.,-Sual -25th January, Ballast,-Remedios & Co.-Kowleon Dock. MINARD CASTLE, British steamer, 1,596, R. Skinner, 1st Feb.,-Nagasaki 27th January, Coals.—Adamson, Bell & Co.

MINDANAO, Spanish steamer, 623, Fryer, 5th Feb. - Manila 2nd February, General. -Dunn, Melbyc & Co. PING-ON, British steamer, 574, McCaslin, 12th Jan.,-Pakhoi, and Hoihow 11th January,

General.—Russell & Co.—Cosmopolitan TAIWAN, British steamer, 1,109, Alfred Williams, 28th January,-Glasgow 8th December, Singapore, General,-Butterfield &

THALES, British steamer, 820, T. G. Pocock, 4th Feb. Swatow 3rd Feb., General.-.D. Lapraik & Co. YEH-SIN, Chinese steamer, 754, Dugan, 1st

Feb.,-Shanghai 27th Jan., General.-C. M. S. N. Co. YOTTUNG, British steamer, 286, H. Kennett, June 23rd,-Quangai 19th June, General,-Kwok Acheong & Sons.

SAILING VESSELS. ALDEN BESSIE, American bark, A. Noyes, 22nd Dec.,-Portland, Oregon 12th Nov., Spars.

-Melchers & Co. ALEXA, British bark, 425, Robb, 16th Jan.,-Wellington, New Zealand 26th November, General.—Adamson, Bell & Co.

ALVA, Portuguese bark, 632, E. de Souza, 12th Guiding Star, British bark, 311 (Schnitger)-Jan.,-Rajang 9th Dec., Timber.-Brandao ANTOINETEE, British bark, 1,014, E. T. Bunje,

6th January,-Manila 27th December, Ballast.—Order.—Kowloon Dock. BARBAROSSA, German ship, 1,313, R. Kausch, 12th Jan.,-Cardiff 4th August, Coal.-Melchers & Co.

BEATRICE, British schooner, 66, Williams, 17th Jan.,-Guap 7th January, Copra.-Captain. Dec.,-Cebu 26th Nov., General.-Master. B. P. CHENEY, American ship, 1,322, C. E.

CASHMERE, British ship, 1,238, F. A. Lohhart, Omega, British bark, 480 (Cargill)-Morris & Co. 17th Jan.,-Newcastle 24th Nov., Coal.-

November, Adamson, Bell & Co. COLOMA, American bark, 853, Noyes, 5th Jan., Portland, Oregon 8th November, Lumber.-Melchers & Co.

Nov.,-Newcastle 22nd Sept., Coal.-Russell & Co.

Cyprus, British ship, 1,392, Johnson, 11th Jan.,
—Middlesbro 4th August, Iron.—Russell B. HAZELTINE, American bark, 880, W. Gilkey, 4th Feb.,-Rio de Janeiro 9th Oct., Petroleum.-Russell & Co. DANIEL, German bark, 417, P. Vogt, 13th Jan.,

-Hamburg 27th July, General.-Melchers DORA, German ship, 1,259, H. Meyer, 22nd November,-Cardiff 1st July, Coal,-Arnhold, Karberg & Co. ERL KONIO, German bark, 456, A. Naurch, 27th Nov.,-Newchwang 16th Nov., Beans .-

Siemssen & Co. ESHERALDA, German bark, 788, H. Brock, 11th Jan.,-Hamburg 10th August, General.-PANO, Danish brig, 227, M. N. Mortensen, 3rd Feb.,-Cebu 18th January, General-Ed.

Schellhass & Co. GLENURY, British 3-m. schooner, 283, D. Thomson, 12th Jan.,-Manila 9th Dec., General -Wieler & Co. GUARDIAN, American ship, 1,124, Fletcher, Feb.,-Newcastle, N.S.W., 8th Dec., Coals.

-Master. HANS, German bark, 313, A. Thomson, 12th Jan.,-Chefoo 1st January, General.-Wieler HERBERT BLACK, American bark, 575, Treat,

13th Dec.,-Nagasaki 5th Dec., Coal-Russell & Co.—Kowloon Dock. HERMANN, German bark, 453, W. Pens, 10th Dec., -Chesoo 28th Nov., General.-Wieler HIERONIMUS, German bark, Ipland, and Feb.,

-Touron 19th Jan., Coals,-Wieler & Co. INCEBURG, German bark, 786, H. Ipland, 27th Jan.,-Manila roth Jan., Ballast.-Wieler JAMES G. PENDLETON, American bark, 938, B. J. Colcord, 12th Jan., Nagasaki 3rd Jan.,

Coal-Russell & Co.

Jan.,-Shanghai 18th January, Ballast.-JUNO, German bark, 517, H. C. Breckwoldt. 29th Nov.,-Hamburg 22nd July, General -- Melchers & Co. Kvik, Norwegian bank, 417, Larsen, 3rd Feb., -Bangkok 28th Jan., Teakwood -Siems-

JOHN SMITH, Amer. bark, 564, O. Kustel, 22nd

HONGKONG-SAILING VESSELS. (Continued.)

LIVINGSTONE, German bark, 531, H. Stellens, 14th Jan.,-Honolulu 12th December, Ballast.—Siemssen & Co.

Louisa, German 3-m. sch., 245, Schierloch, 2nd Jan.,-Whampoa 31st Dec., General.-Ed. Schellhass & Co. MARIE, German bark, 430, G. Thomaschewst 14th Jan.,—Bangkok 27th Nov., General.— Melchers & Co.

MARIE, Ger. bk., 466, A. Weinronsky, 19th Jan., -Hamburg 5th Sept., General.-Siemssen

MARY WHITRIDGE, American ship, 862, Geo, Freeman, 2nd Feb.,-New York 14th Sept.. Kerosene Oil,-Order. NONPAREIL, British bark, 399, E. Finlayson, 9th November,-Newchwang 30th Oct., Beans. -Chong Woo.-Kowloon Dock

PRESIDENT SIMSON, British bark, 1,235, G. Scarlett, 31st Jan.,-Manila 23rd January, Ballast.-Jardine, Matheson & Co. PRINTEMPS, Fren. bark, 277, Galland, 4th Feb., -Whampon 3rd February, -Jardine, Matheson & Co.

SOPHOCLES, British ship, 1,190, Alex. Smith, 4th Feb., -Sydney 5th Dec., Coal. -Adamson, Bell & Co. SPICA, German bark, 915, B. Hallmann, 13th

PROFESSOR NORDENSKJOLD, Norwegian 3-m. sch., 453, E. Jensen, 5th Feb.,-Newcastle, TRI SINA, Austrian bark, 839, G. Cernkovich;

4th Feb.,-Newcastle, N.S.W., 19th Dec., 1,117 tons Coal.—Siemssen & Co. WESER, German bark, 916, H. Hellmers, 11th Jan.,-Cardiff 9th September, Coal.-Order.

> AMOY: In Port on 30th January, 1883.

Androklos, British bark, 400 (Murray)-Boyd & Alex. Newton, British bark, 308 (Newton)-Boyd Chloris, German bark, 334 (Matzen)-H. A. Petersen & Co. Francisca, German bark, 368 (Jessen)-H. A. Petersen & Co. Frohlich, German brig, 360 (Moller)-Pasedag

Helene, German bark, 263 (J. Ricck)-H. A. Pc-Juno, German bark, 266 (Nielsen)-Pasedag | Abreck, Russian gunboat, 7 guns, Captain Kjobenhavn, Danish bark, 353 (Magleby)-H.

A. Petersen & Co. Louise, American schooner, 280 (Lawrence)-H. A. Petersen & Co.

SHANGHAI. In Port on 31st January, 1883.

Annina, Italian bark, 999 (Basso) - C. & J. Trad-Annie M. Bur, American ship, 889 (Byrne)-Russell & Co. Blackadder, British brig, 963 (Swensen)-Russell

Channel Queen, British bark, (Lacheur) - Chap-Charley, British bark, 359 (Schroder)-Nils Chingtah, Chinese bark, 472 (Taylor)-C. M. Cubana, British bark, 499 (Howard)-Jardine, Matheson & Co. Dorothy, British bark, 310 (Croal)-Drysdale,

Ringer & Co. Earl of Elgin, British bark, 979, (Morrison)-Farnham & Co. Emma, German schooner, 219 (Michelsen)—Ed. Schellhass & Co. Ernst, German bark, 664 (Pundh)-Captain.

Escort, American bark, 636 (Waterhouse)— Russell & Co. Mackenzie & Co. Hedvig, British bark, 375 (Davey)-Nils Moller.

Hilda, British bark, 366 (Hemmingsen)-Nils Ino, German bark, 344 (Bohsen)-F. A. Bu-John Potts, British bark, 373 (Brown)—Morris Kolga, British bark, 541 (Kiolseth.)-Russell

BILLY SIMPSON, British bark, 432, Brown, 9th Marie Berg, German, bark, 536 (Hindricks)-Minna, French bark, 456 (Davey)-Nils Moller. Humphreys, 5th Feb.,—Cardiff 9th Sept., Napier, British ship, 992 (Cunningham)—Mel-Coal.—P. & O. S. N. Co. chers & Co.

Pelham, British bark, 340 (Downie)-Mackenzie CHAS. G. RICE, American bark, 715, A. W. Perle, British bark, 400 (Kruse)—Nils Moller.
Smart, 12th Jan.,—Newcastle, N.S.W., 18th Queen of India, British steamer, 394 (Manley)— W. Hewett & Co.

Sierra Nevada, American ship-Wisner & Co. Southern Chief, American ship, 1,283 (Higgins) -C. & J. Trading Co. CONQUEST, American bark, 516, Carine, 20th Stout, Norwegian bark, 581 (Hennester)-Chapman, King & Co. Tetuan, British bark, 438 (Hyne)-F. A. Bur-Thyra, British brig, 255 (Jones)-Forester L. Tobique, British ship, 1,413 (Davis)-Melchers

> YOKOHAMA. In Port on 19th January, 1883.

Velocity, British bark, 490 (Martin)-Morris

A. Cashman, Russian schooner, 50 (Sternberg)-Alexander, American schooner, 50 (Carlson)-Alma, American schooner, 52 (Tibbey)-J. D. Carroll & Co. Black Diamond, German bark, 670 (Boyd)-P.

Diana, American schooner, 75 (Peterson)-Cap-Else, German brig, 287 (Holm)-P. Bohm. E. von Beaulieu, German bark, 336 (Getting)-

Grosser & Co. Gitanilla, British bark, 472 (Kirkpatrick)-H. Macarthur. Helena, American schooner, 40 (Bischof)-M. Herschel, German ship, 787 (Wepper)-Reimers Khorasan, German bark, 1,090 / A. Viser)—A.

Reimers & Co.

M. C. Bohm, German schooner, 56-P. Bohm. Oswald, German bark, 445 (Boysen)-P. Bohm. Otsego, American schooner, 36, E. (Pearce) Otome, American schooner, 52 W. (Hardy)-Otter, American schooner, 56 (LittleJohn)-J. E Collyer & Co.

Raphael, American ship, 1,543 (Nicholson) - C. & J. Trading Co. Roderick Hay. German bark, 290 (Nicholson)-Jardine, Matheson & Co. Rose, American schooner, 40 (Wilson)-W. Sonble Russian brig 220 (P. Lemascheffer)

St. Ives, French bark, 542 (Froud) - Walsh, Hall Stella, Russian schooner, 40 (Isaacs)-F. Retz. Zephyr, British schooner, 250 (Ewart)-P. Hod-

HER BRITANNIC MAJESTY'S SHIPS IN THE CHINA SQUADRON.

Albatross, screw sloop, 4 guns, Commander Errington, Hongkong. Audacious, double-screw iron frigate, Captain R. E. Tracey, Hongkong. Champion, corvette, 14 guns, Captain Russell S. G. Pasley, Singapore. Cleopatra, corvette, 14 guns, Captain Hippisley,

Curacoa, corvette, 14 guns, Captain S. Long Daring, composite sloop, 4 guns, Commander F J. J. Elliott, Kobe. Encounter, steam corvette, 14 guns, Captain G. Robinson, en route Singapore. Esk, double-screw gunboat, 3 guns, In reserve

Flying-Fish, sloop, 4 guns, Lieut.-Commander Hoskyn, Hongkong. Fly, double-screw gun-vessel, 4 guns, Commander J. Hope, en noute Singapore. Foxhound, gunboat, 4 guns, Lieut.-Commander McQuhae, Sandakan. Kestrel, double-screw gun-vessel, 4 guns, Com-

mander E. Hotham, Amoy.

Lily, screw gun-vessel, 3 guns, Commander Evans, Singapore. Jan.,-Cardiff 1st September, Coal.-Mel- Magpie, surveying vessel, 4 guns, Lieut.-Com, Carpenter, Nagasaki. Midge, double-screw gun-vessel, In reserve,

N.S.W., 21st December, Coal.—Russell & Moorhen, gunboat, 4 guns, Lieut.-Commander J. H. Corfe, Yokohama. Pegasus, sloop, 6 guns, Commander E. F. Day, Sheldrake, gunboat, 4 guns, Lieut.-Comander M. Bridger, Shanghai.

Swift, double-screw gun-vessel, 5 guns, Commander Gollins, Hongkong. Tweed, double-screw gunboat, 3 guns, in reserve, V. Emanuel, receiving ship, 20 guns, Commodore Cuming, Hongkong,

Vigilant, paddle despatch-vessel, 2 guns, Lieut-Commander C. Lindsay, Hongkong. Wivern, turret-ship, 4 guns, in reserve, Hong-Zephyr, gunboat, 4 guns, Lieutenant-Commander. Pollard, Shanghai.

FOREIGN MEN-OF-WAR ON THE CHINA STATION.

Schanz, Chefoo. Adonis, French gunboat, 5 guns, Commander Caillard, Saigo... Africa, Russian corvette, 8 guns, Captain Alexeyeff, Singapore. Alert, American corvette, 4 corvette, Commader

Kempff, Kobe. Ashuelot, American corvette, 6 guns, Commander H. E. Mullen, Shoryhal. Duke of Edinburgh, Russian ironclad, Captain de Giers, Manila Elizabeth, German corvette, 15 guns, Captain Hollmann, Nagasaki.

Ermak, Russian transport, Captain Koltchau, Gornostai, Russian gunboat, 7 guns, Commander Stark, Vladivostock. Gravina, Spanish cruiser, Don José Quesada,

ltis, German gunboat, 8 guns, Commander Klausa, Amoy. Kersaint, French corvette, Commander Beaumont. Hongkong. La Victorieuse, French frigate, 14 guns, Captain de la Batie, Hongkong. Lutin, French gunboat, 4 guns, Commauder

Rouvier, Hongkong. Monocacy, American gunboat, 6 guns, Commander C. S. Cotton, Nagasaki. Morge, Russian gunboat, 7 guns, Commander Tatarinoff, Japan.

Nerpa, Russian gunboat, 7 guns, Commander. Valrondt, Chefoo. Palos, American gunboat, 6 guns, Lieutenant-Commander Green, Kobe.

PLASTOON, Russian convette, 8 guns, Captain Poliansky; en route Saigon. Richmond, American frigate, 14 guns, Captain Skerreit, Hongkong. Sobol, Russian gunboat, 7 gunboat, Commander Boyle, Vladivostock.

St. Petersburg, Russian transport, 6 guns, Cap, tain Sidenener, Vladivostock. Stosch, German corvette, 19 guns, Captain von Tamega, Portuguese gunboat, Commander da Costa Cabral, Macao.

Tongous, Russian gunboat, Commander Heck, Vestnik, Russian cruiser, Commander Avelan, en route Singapore. Villars, French corvette, 15 guns, Captain M. Dewatre, Shanghai.

Vostock, Russian gunboat, 4 guns, Commander Molchonsky, Japan. Wolf, German gunboat, 4 guns, Commander Strauch, Chefoo.

CANTON GUNBOAT SQUADRON.

An-lan, Viceroy's gunboat, 7 guns, Lin Kuo Ch'ang, Hongkong. Chec-hing, Revenue cruiser, 2 guns, Chinese Captain, Canton.

Chen-to, Viceroy's gunboat, 7 guns, J. Stewart Chen-jui, Revenue cruiser, 3 guns, Chinese-Ching-on, Revenue cruiser, 2 guns, Chung Wing Ching-tsing, Viceroy's gunboat, 4 guns, F. Bes-

sard, Hongkong. Chop-chung, Revenue cruiser,-Li Tack Ming, Chop-sai, Viceroy's gumboat, Chang, on a cruise. Hai-ch'ang-ching, Revenue cruiser, 3 guns, Wu Jui Ch'ang, Hongkong.

Liang Chien, Hongkong Hol-tung-hung, Viceroy's gunboat, Leung Yiu-Ting, Canton. Hus shan, Viceroy's gunboat, 2 guns, H. J. Faunch

Li-she, Revenue cruiser, 3 guns, Chinese, Canton. Peng-chao-hai, Revenue cruiser, 4 guns, Chow Shot Hongkong. Quang-on, Viceroy's gunboat, 4 guns, Lie Ping Shen-chi, Revenue cruiser, 5 guns, San Tsung

Sul-tsing, Viceroy's gunboat, 4 guns, J. Murray, Hal Ling Shan. Tching-on, Viceroy's gunboat, 2 guns, Chinese Admiral, Bogue Forts. Tching-po, Viceroy's gunboat, 3 guns, Ching, Tchun-tung, Revenue cruiser, 2 guns, Chun

Tring-po, Viceroy's guabeat, 6 guns, A. Garceat, Yu-min, Viceroy's gunboat, 1 guns, J. Years.

Ti Hu, West Coast.

Post Office.

A MAIL WILL CLOSE For Singapore and London.—Per Ulysses, to day, the 6th instant, at 5 P.M.

For Swatow.—Per Thates, to-morrow, the 7th instant, at 11.30 A.M. 📑 For Swatow and Bangkok.-Per Feilung, tomorrow, the 7th instant, at 1.30 P.M. For Singapore, Port Darwin, Thursday Island, Cooktown, Townsville, Sydney, Melbourne, &c., &c., &c.-Per Catterthun, to-morrow, the 7th instant, at 3.30 P.M. For Nagasaki and Yokohama.—Per Banga-

lore, on Friday, the 9th instant, at 11.30 A.M. The Postal Guide published in 1879 being now somewhat out of date, a revised issue is printed in the Hongkong Directory and Hong List for the Far East for 1883, which supersedes all previous editions.

MAILS BY THE UNITED STATES PACKET. The United States Mail Packet "BELOIC," will be despatched To-Morrow, the 7th instant, with Mails for Japan, San Francisco, the United States, Canada, Honolulu, Peru, &c., which will be closed as follows :-

At 2.15 P.M. Registry ceases. At 2.30 P.M. Post-office closes, but Corresponpence may be posted on board the Packet with Late Fee of 10 cents extra Postage until the time of departure.

MAILS BY THE FRENCH PACKET. The French Contract Packet "AMAZONE," will be despatched on TUESDAY, the 13th instant, with Mails to the United Kingdom, Europe, and places beyond, vid Naples; to Saigon, Straits Settlements, Batavia, Burmah, Ceylon, India (via Madras), the Australasian Colonies, Aden, Egypt, Malta, Gibraltar. The usual hours will be observed in closing

the Mails, &c. HOURS FOR CLOSING THE CONTRACT MAILS. THE FRENCH MAIL.—DAY BEFORE DEPARTURE. 5 P.M., Money Order Office closes. Post Office closes, except the night box, which is always. open out of office hours. DAY OF DEPARTURE.

7. A.M., Post Office opens. 10 A.M., Registry of Letters ceases. Posting of all printed matter and patterns ceases. 11 A.M., Mail closes, except for Late Letters. 11.10 A.M., Letters may be posted with Late Fee of to cents until. 11.30 A.M., when the Post Office closes entirely.

the packet with Late Fee of 10 Cents until time of departure. THE ENGLISH MAIL The following hours are observed in closing Mails, &c., by the British Contract Packet :-

11.40 A.M., Late Letters may be posted on board

DAY OF DEPARTURE. NOON. -- Money Order Office closes. 2.00 P.M. - Registry of Letters ceases. Posting of all printed matter and patterns ceases. 3.00 P.M.—Mails closed, except for Late Letters. 3.10 P.M .- Letters may be posted with late fee of

to cents until 3.30 P.M.—when the Post Office closes entirely. 3.40 P.M.-Late Letters may be posted on board the packet with late fee of 10 cents until time of departure.

SOLDIERS' AND SAILORS' LETTERS. -I.—Privates in H.M. Army or Navy. Noncommissioned, Officers,* Bandmasters, Army Schoolmasters (not Superintending or First Class) Writers or Schoolmistresses may send half-ounce letters to the United Kingdom by mail at the rate of four cents (two-pence) 'each, which may be prepaid either in Imperial or in Hongkong Stamps. By private steamer the postage is trans cents (one penny).

a.—The same privileges apply to letters addressed to the Privates and Non-commissioned Officers named above. 3.-Private steamers leave Hongkong for Lon-

don about every ten days. 4.—The letters must not exceed half an ounce. No handkerchiefs, jewellery, &c., can be sent, even with the ends open. 5.-If from a Soldier or Sailor his class and description must be stated in full on the letter,

the cover of which must be signed by the Commanding Officer, with name of regiment, ship, &c., in full. If to a Soldier or Sailor, his class and description, with name of regiment, ship, &c., must be stated in full. 5.—Soldiers and Sailors have no privileges with regard to books or papers, nor can these be

prepaid with Imperial Stamps. LETTER BOXES. Many boxes of letters are received at the Post Office not scaled, that is to say, the box is fastened

with sealing wax, but there is no impression of a The attention of boxholders is called to the necessity of carefully scaling such boxes with some recognisable seal, and of sending a chitbook or receipt with them. The omission of the latter precaution leaves a doubt as to whether the contents of the box ever reached the Post Office : the omission of the former, as to whether

part of them might not have been abstracted for the sake of the Postage Stamps. RATES OF POSTAGE. Letters, per i oz. 10 Cents. Post Cards, each Books, Patterns, and Commercial 2 Cents. Papers, per 2 oz. Newspapers & Prices Current, each Registration

Do. with return receipt..... 15 Cents. Commercial, papers signify such papers as, though written by hand, do not bear the character of an actual or personal correspondence, such as involces, deeds, copied music, &c. The charge is the same as for Books, but all packets of and under 4.oz. weight are charged 5 Cents.

LETTERS FOR THE UNITED STATES BY SAILING When it is desired to forward letters to the United States by a sailing ship which is not notified as carrying a mail, it is only necessary to post the letters in the ordinary way, marked with the name of the ship, and prepaid to cents Hai-king-ching, Viceroy's gunboat, 3 guns, Ch'en per half ounce as usual. The Post Office then undertakes the duty of obtaining notice of departure and despatching the correspondence. It is

requested that the letters be posted if possible at

least one day before the date fixed for sailing. TEA MUSTERS Persons who send Musters of Ten through the Post in Tins are requested to have them made flat or square instead of round, as it is impossible to pack round tine securely in the mail bags. It is believed that; the tea will travel more safely in flat tins, which are not so liable as round ones to be bulged in ... 4 by 3 by 14 inches is suggested as a good size. The tins should not have sharp

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